(b) Project proposals for 1182 road works measuring 4934.91 km. and valued at Rs.1295.32 crore have been sanctioned by the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India under Phase VII of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for Madhya Pradesh.

Independent Law Enforcement Agency for investigating corruption cases

†*238. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:
SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhav Menon Committee has recommended to set up an independent Law Enforcement Agency to investigate the corruption cases against persons holding high posts;

(b) if so, the details of recommendations made by said Committee; and

(c) the details of action being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) and (b) The Committee has made a number of recommendations on the Criminal Justice System including on the issue of corruption.

(c) The Draft Policy has been circulated to all the State Governments for their views/comments as the Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure are on the Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and are administered by the State Governments. The Draft Policy has also been circulated to the concerned Central Government Ministries/Departments for their views. After receipt of comments of the above, a final view will be taken by the Government on the Draft Policy.

Share of textile sector in industrial output and exports

*239. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that textile sector accounts for nearly 14 per cent of the total industrial output; while Indian fabric is in demand with its ethnic, earthly co-loured and many textures;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the textile sector accounts for about 30 per cent in the total export;

(c) if so, how much handloom products are being exported;

(d) whether handloom exports have declined over the years; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINN VAGHELA): (a) to (e) The textiles industry accounts for 14% of the industrial production of the country and the textile sector accounts for about 15% of the total exports as per latest available data.

Due to absence of an exclusive classification code for handloom products in the Harmonised System of International Trade Classification [ITC (HS)], adopted since 1.4.2003, exclusive data pertaining to handloom products has not been generated after April, 2003. However, as per the statistics available for the financial years 1997-98 to 2002-03, as tabulated below, there was no decline in the value of exports of handloom products:-

Year	Total Exports of handloom products (Rs. in Crores)
1997-98	1840.05
1998-99	1918.34
1999-00	1980.05
2000-01	2127.45
2001-02	2064.94
2002-03	2633.27

Pending cases of compensation to farmers

*240. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of pending cases where compensation has not been paid yet to those farmers whose land was used for mining for defence purpose after the militant attack on Parliament; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and number of farmers affected thereto?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and (b) For occupation of lands during Operation Parakram, the number of farmers for whom compensation is yet to be released to Deputy Commissioners are approximately 790 in Districts Jammu and Poonch of J and K and Districts Gurdaspur and Ferozepur of Punjab.

Government has sanctioned an amount of Rs.2,96,93,230/- in June/July, 2007 for payment as compensation to approximately 684 farmers in Districts Ferozepur and Jammu. This amount will be placed shortly with concerned Deputy Commissioners by the Defence Estate officers.

For the remaining cases in Districts Jammu, Poonch and Gurdaspur, the formalities for assessing/sanctioning of compensation are under way.